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For: EXHAUST PURIFICATION DEVICE FOR  
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**MS AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 13, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amendments to the Specification;
- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks.